

REMARKS

In the Office Action, Claims 1-3 and 5-38 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 5,555,201 (Dangelo, et al.) in view of U.S. patent 6,327,394 (Kash, et al.). Claims 39-41 and 43 were allowed.

The Examiner, in the Office Action, suggested amendments to independent Claims 1, 36 and 37 that would place Claims 1-3 and 5-38 in condition for allowance. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for these suggestions, and for the careful and thorough attention given to this case.

Applicants herein ask that independent Claims 1, 36 and 37 be amended, as the Examiner suggested, to more expressly define the subject matter of these claims. In particular, these claims, which are all method claims, are being amended to include expressly "the step of" language before the steps set forth in the claims.

As it is believed that the Examiner has recognized, the cited references do not disclose or suggest, *inter alia*, the various ways, or their equivalents, to visualize the device activity representation that are disclosed or taught by the present application. Thus, the references do not disclose or teach the visualizing step described in Claim 1.

Likewise, neither Dangelo, et al nor Kash, et al, nor any of the other references of record, discloses or teaches, among other matters, the different ways, or their equivalents, for obtaining and representing the expressed device activity that are taught or disclosed in the present application. Accordingly, the references do not suggest or disclose the obtaining procedures described in Claims 36 and 37.

Claims 1, 36 and 37 thus patentably distinguish over the prior art and are allowable. Claims 2, 3, 5-35 and 38 are dependent from and are allowable with Claim 1.

For the reasons set forth above, the Examiner is asked to enter this Amendment, to reconsider and to withdraw the rejection of Claims 1-3 and 5-38 under 35 U.S.C. §103, and to allow these claims. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference with Applicants' Attorneys would be advantageous to the disposition of this case, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

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